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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF OREGON

EDDARINE ROACH,

CV '08 - 0.53 4 - 10

Plaintiff.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

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(Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1367, 1441, and 1446)

LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEM, an Oregon corporation,

Defendant.

Defendant Legacy Health System ("Legacy") hereby gives notice that the above action is removed from the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, in which Court said cause is now pending, to the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1367, 1441, and 1446.

IN SUPPORT THEREOF, Defendant states as follows:

- 1. Defendant is a party in a civil action brought against it in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah entitled *Eddarine Roach v. Legacy Health System*, Case No. 0804-05034, filed on April 2, 2008.
- 2. The first date upon which Defendant Legacy received notice of the Complaint was April 10, 2008, when it was served with the Summons and Complaint.

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- 3. Exhibit 1 constitutes all process, pleadings, and orders served upon Defendant in this action to date.
- 4. This Court has original jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 because Plaintiff's First Claim for Relief is brought under Title VII of the U.S. Code, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5. Plaintiff's Second Claim for Relief is brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1981. Therefore, Defendant may remove this action to this Court pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § § 1441 and 1446.
- 5. The Court has supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiff's Third Claim for Relief pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- 6. This Notice of Removal is timely filed with the Court within 30 days of the earliest date by which Defendant was served as provided in 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).
- 7. Removal venue lies in this Court because Plaintiff's action was filed and is pending in this District.
- 8. Promptly upon filing this Notice of Removal, Defendant will provide written notice to the Plaintiff and file a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Clerk of the Multnomah County Circuit Court.
- 9. Defendant is represented by the undersigned counsel and joins in this removal.
- 10. By filing this Notice of Removal and removing this case, Defendant does not waive, but rather expressly preserves any and all defenses.

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully notes its removal of the captioned matter to the United States District Court for the District of Oregon.

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2008.

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By:

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PROOF OF SERVICE

Case #

0804-05034

Multnomah Country Circuit Court

State of Oregon

Plaintiff:

EEDARINE ROACH

Defendant:

LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEMS

I declare that on 4/10/08 at 8:58 a.m. I personally served the Summons and Complaint on Becky Miller (personal assistant to registered agent Campell Groner III) at 1919 NW Lovejoy St, Portland, Oregon.

I declare under penalty of perjury I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action, the foregoing is true and correct and this declaration was executed on 4/11/08 at 5:07 a.m., at 2512 NE 151st Ave, Vancouver, Washington.

Jason Fitzgerald

Process Server

Accelerated Process Service

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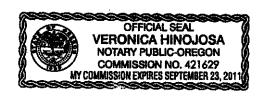
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Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 11th day of April , 2008

Notary Public for Oregon

In the County of Multnoman

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

EEDARINE ROACH,	0804-05034
Plaintiff, v.)) SUMMONS
LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEMS,)
Defendant.))

TO: DEFENDANT'S REGISTERED AGENT: P. CAMPBELL GRONER III, 1919 NW LOVEJOY PORTLAND, OREGON 97209 You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the captioned case within 30 days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT - READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY

You must appear in this case or the other side will automatically win. To appear you must file with the court a legal document called a motion or an answer. The answer must be given to the court clerk within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form with proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service upon plaintiff.

If you have any questions you should see an attorney.

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STATE OF OREGON, County of Multnomah, ss.; I the undersigned attorney of record for the plaintiff, certify that the foregoing is an exact copy of the original summons in the above captioned action.

Attornéy for Plaintiff

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Case 3:08-cv-00534-JO Document 1 Filed 05/02/08 Page 6 of 13 NTERED APR 0 2 2008 IN REGISTER BY VAL 1 2 Sona Jean Joiner, OSB #840133 3 2450 NE Halsey Street Portland, Oregon 97232 4 Phone: (503) 241-1113 Attorney for Plaintiff 5 6 7 8 9 10 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON 05034 11 FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH 12 EDDARINE ROACH, 0804-05034 13 Civil No. 14 Plaintiff, COMPLAINT: 15 ٧S Race Discrimination -Title VII, 16 42 USC 1982, ORS 659A.030 LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEM, 17 18 Defendant. **JURY TRIAL REQUESTED** 19 **DEMAND OVER \$100,000** 20 NOT SUBJECT TO 21 MANDATORY ARBRITATION 22 23 /// 24 /// 25 26

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NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 1. This is an action under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1991 and the Civil Rights Act of 1866 to correct unlawful employment practices based on race and national origin, to vindicate plaintiff's rights and the rights of others to fair treatment and equal opportunity, and to make plaintiff whole. Plaintiff, an African-American female, was subjected to intimidation and harassment due to her race and was terminated from her position as a switch board operator due to her race.
- This is also an action for violation of the Oregon State
 Discrimination law, ORS 659A.030, pursuant to the court's supplemental jurisdiction.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3. This court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 451, 1331, 1337 and 1343. This action is authorized and instituted pursuant to Sections 706 of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 ("Title VII"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-5(f)(1) and (3), pursuant to Section 102 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, 42 U.S.C. Section 1981 (A).
- 4. The court has jurisdiction over plaintiff's state law claim set forth in this complaint pursuant to its supplemental jurisdiction to hear related state

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2	law claims under 28 U.S.C. Section 1367(a). Both the federal and state		
3	claims alleged herein arose from a common nucleus of operative facts, the		
4	state action is so related to the federal claim that they form part of the same		
5	case or controversy, and the actions would be expected to be tried in one		
6	judicial proceeding.		
7	5. The employment practices alleged herein were committed in the		
8	District of Oregon. Venue is proper pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(f)(3).		
9	PARTIES		
10	6. Plaintiff is a citizen of the United States and a resident of the		
11 12	State of Oregon.		
13	7. Defendant Legacy Health Systems is corporation doing		
14	business in Portland, Oregon, and continuously had and does now have more		
15	than 50 employees.		
16	FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF AGAINST DEFENDANT		
17	Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964		
18	8. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations is paragraphs		
19	1 through 7.		
20	9. Plaintiff, an African-American female, was employed by		
21 22	defendant from approximately July 2000, until her termination on April 13,		
23	2007.		
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2	10. Since sometime in 2004, plaintiff's supervisor, Betty Hoyt, and
3	various co-employees, subjected plaintiff, up till and through the date of her
4	termination, to a hostile work environment because of her race.
5	11. Plaintiff complained of this to her manager
6	12. As a result of her reporting the harassing and discriminatory
7	treatment, defendant retaliated by terminating plaintiff.
8	13. Plaintiff's termination and denial of the same conditions and
9	terms of employment as white employees were in violation of Title VII of the
10	Civil Rights Act of 1964.
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12	14. As a result of defendants' acts described in this complaint,
13	plaintiff has suffered the loss of wages and benefits of her employment in the
14	approximate amount of \$45,000 from the date of termination through the date
15	of filing this complaint plus such additional amounts in lost wages and
16	benefits from the date of filing through the date of trial as will be proven at
17	trial.
18	15. Plaintiff should be awarded an amount to be determined at trial
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20	for future lost wages and benefits of employment and lost future earning
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1	16.	As a result of defe	endant's acts described in this complaint,	
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3	plaintiff suffered severe emotional distress, loss of dignity, humiliation,			
4	physical pai	n and nausea, angu	uish, and embarrassment, for which she	
5	should reco	ver from defendant	damages in the amount of \$300,000 or su	ch
6	amount as r	may be set by a jury	, to compensate her for such injuries.	
7	17.	Plaintiff is entitled	to recover her reasonable attorney fees,	
8.	costs, and	expert witness expe	nses pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §2000e-5(k) ar	nd
9	the Civil Rights Act of 1991.			
10			ELIEF AGAINST DEFENDANT	
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12		Civi	Rights Act of 1866	
13	18.	Plaintiff re-alleges	s paragraphs 1 through 16.	
14	19.	Plaintiff's termina	tion and the denial of the same conditions	and
15	terms of em	nployment as white	employees were in violation of the Civil Ac	ts of
16	1866, 42 U	SC Section 1981.		
17		THIRD CLAIM OF	RELIEF AGAINST DEFENDANT	
18		Unlawful Employ	rment Practices ORSA 659.030	
19	20.		paragraphs 1 - 16.	
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21	21.	Plaintiff's termina	tion and the denial of the same conditions	and
22	terms of en	nployment as white	employees were in violation of ORSA 659.	030
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2	22. Plaintiff is entitled to recover her reasonable attorney fees and			
3	expert witness expenses pursuant to ORS 659A.121(1) & (2).			
4	WHEREFORE, plaintiff requests the Court to:			
5	1. Assume jurisdiction over each of the causes set forth herein.			
6	2. Order defendant to make plaintiff whole by providing			
7	compensation for nonpecuniary losses, including physical and emotional pain			
8	and suffering, mental anguish, humiliation, embarrassment, and loss of			
9	enjoyment of life.			
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11	 Order defendant to pay plaintiff's lost past and future wages and 			
12	benefits of employment.			
13	 Award plaintiff her costs of suit, reasonable attorney fees, costs, 			
14	and expert witness fees.			
15	5. Order defendant to pay pre-judgment and post-judgment			
16	interest on all amounts due to plaintiff as a result of this action.			
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2	<u>Jury Trial Demand</u>
3	Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all questions of fact or combined
4	questions of law and fact raised by this Complaint.
5	DATED this day of <u>April</u> , 2008.
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11	By: /ma Grand Sona Jean Joiner, OSB 840133
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing NOTICE OF REMOVAL (Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1367, 1441, and 1446) - By Defendant Legacy Health System on:

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Attorney at Law 2450 NE Halsey Portland, OR 97232
by electronic means through the Court's Case Management/Electronic Case File system on the date set forth below;
by mailing a copy thereof in a sealed, first-class postage prepaid envelope, addressed to each attorney's last-known address and depositing in the U.S. mail at Portland, Oregon on the date set forth below;
by causing a copy thereof to be hand-delivered to said attorneys at each attorney's last-known office address on the date set forth below;
by sending a copy thereof via overnight courier in a sealed, prepaid envelope, addressed to each attorney's last-known address on the date set forth below;
by faxing a copy thereof to each attorney at each attorney's last-known facsimile number on the date set forth below; or
by concurrently electronically mailing this document in Word format to each attorney's last-known e-mail address on the date set forth below
DATED this 2 nd day of May, 2008.
By:
Robert Lane Carey, OSB No. 87186 Of Attorneys for Defendant
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